(c) Against the reservation for 'Freedom Fighters' in the grant of petroleum products dealerships, selection is made only from amongst Freedom Fighters; the applications of those who are not empanelled are deemed to have been rejected. In this manner, 117 applications were rejected.

Export of petroleum products

2551. SHRI KALPNATH RAI : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether any petroleum products are exported from India; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and the amount of foreign exchange earned from these exports ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details of the Petroleum products exported during 1984-85 and 1985-86 are given below :

Qty. : '000' Tonnes
Value : Rs./Crores.

Products	1984-85		1985-86*	
	Qty.	Value	Qty.	Value
1. Naphtha	612	167	1796	449
2. H.S.D./L.D.O	71	24	66	23
3. F.O./L.S.H.S	170	34	14	4
Others	80	30	83	32
Total	933	255	1959	508

*Provisional

Off-shore drilling for oil in sea beds other than Bombay High

2552. SHRI KALPNATH RAI : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether apart from Bombay-High the possibilities of off-shore drilling for oil have been explored in other sea-beds of India also;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) the oil potential available therein ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Exploratory drilling is continuing in off-shore parts of Kutch-Saurashtra, Kerala-Konkan, Andaman, Bengal, Krishna-Godavari, Cauvery & Mahanadi NEC basins.

As on 1-1-1986, the geological reserves of oil in the above off-shor basins were estimated at about 53 million tonnes.

Services of foreign oil companies

2553. SHRI KALPNATH RAI : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the services of any foreign oil companies are being utilised in oil exploration work in India; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the same ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT) : (a) and (b) No foreign oil companies are at present engaged in exploration work in India. However, Services of foreign service companies are